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SUBJ: IEA: US PROPOSAL FOR AN INTERNATIONAL ENERGY INSTITUTE

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1. SWISS TELL US THAT A MODIFIED US PAPER ON THE IEI WAS PASSED TO IEA MEMBERS. THE REVISED PAPER INCLUDED THE PROPOSAL THAT THE IEI BE A UN SPECIALIZED AGENCY. THE SWISS (VON TSCHARNER, DIVISION OF COMMERCE) ASKED US TO PASS ON THE SWISS RESPONSE TO THIS PART OF THE US PAPER.

2. THE SWISS THINK THAT THE IEI SHOULD FALL WITHIN THE UN FRAMEWORK, BUT NOT AS A NEW SPECIALIZED AGENCY. THEY WOULD PREFER SOMETHING ALONG THE LINES OF THE SPECIAL GROUPS WHICH HAVE BEEN ORGANIZED TO DEAL WITH CERTAIN PROBLEMS IN THE AGRICULTURAL FIELD.

3. THE SWISS WOULD PREFER AN INDEPENDENT, SMALL INSTITUTE TO START WITH. IF IT IS MADE A UN SPECIALIZED AGENCY,
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THE SWISS BELIEVE IT WILL ALMOST INEVITABLY EVOLVE INTO

A WORLD ENERGY ORGANIZATION. WHILE THIS MIGHT BE A GOOD
IDEA IN THE LONG RUN, THEY PREFER NOT TO PRE-JUDGE THE
DESIRABILITY OF SUCH AN ORGANIZATION BY SETTING UP THE
INSTITUTE AS A UN SPECIALIZED AGENCY.
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